This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

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1–15 (cancelled).

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16.   (Currently amended) A method for operating a network for the interconnection of computers having a server and a client, comprising:

storing at least one datafile ~~datafiles~~ on said server that is ~~are~~ executable in said server and in said client;

10        calling said datafile ~~datafiles~~ by said client by sending a corresponding datafile address to said server;

transmitting said datafile ~~datafiles~~ by said server to said client in response to said calling said datafile ~~datafiles~~ by said client;

inquiring by said client to said server, which is a queried server, for a
15        specific service offered by said server, said client using specific parameters of said service;

determining by said queried server whether it can perform said inquired service;

if said server can perform said service, said service performs said service
20        by said server;

if said server cannot perform said service, either said server or said client switches said client to a further server or device connected to said network that is capable of executing said service using said transmitted datafile for the switching.

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17. (Previously presented) The method for the operation of a network according to claim 16, wherein service offered by said server is executing a print order, and said method further comprising:

5            forwarding, by said server, said print order to another server or directly to a printer device when said server itself cannot execute said print order.

18. (Previously presented) The method for the operation of a network according to claim 16, further comprising the steps of:

10            storing information about said services offered by said server in a databank of said server; and

examining said databank to determine if a service is present for an inquiry by said client.

15   19. (Previously presented) The method for the operation of a network according to claim 16, further comprising:

generating an address of a further server or device for said server switching said client to said further server or device; and

communicating said address to said client inquiring said server.

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20. (Currently amended) The method for the operation of a network according to claim 16, further comprising:

installing an interpreter at said server;

interpreting, by said interpreter, language elements executable at said
25            server contained in said datafile;

executing, by said interpreter, said language elements executable at said server; and

executing, by said client, language elements executable at said client contained in said datafile.